

LAMBERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS
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Public Auctions—

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on
THURSDAY, July 14, 1921,
Commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
a Very Fine and Superior
Selection of Genuine Old Curios,
(Just arrived from the North).Comprising—
Porcelain Vases, Ginger jars, Beakers,
Bowls, Wine cups, Josses, Wall plates,
Enamel plates, Flower pots of Kangxi
to Peking Periods.
Enamelled and obelisk Plates and
Vases, Bronze vases and incense burners,
Crystal, Agate and Jade Figures and
Ornaments.Also
One Yellow Vase—Kangxi.
Four Jade Inlaid Plaques—Kien-
lung.And
A few pieces of Szechow
Bedwood-ware.
On view from Wednesday the 13th
inst.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash.LAMBERT BROS.,
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Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

INTIMATIONS

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(This Advertisement is issued by Westminster Tobacco Co. Ltd.)

"FOREVER ENGLAND."

OUR DEAD IN FRANCE.

WORK OF GRAVES COMMISSION.

I have heard of late some criticism
of the condition in which some of the
cemeteries in France are found to-
day. Much of this criticism is with-
out doubt based on personal obser-
vation, and it would be strange if a
great organization like the Imperial
War Graves Commission should be
entirely blameless, but a little in-
formation which I have got from a
friend who has recently visited a con-
siderable part of the grave area should
help to disarm this criticism by ex-
plaining something of the procedure of
tidying-up, planting the cemeteries,
and completing the enclosures, writes
a correspondent of the Manchester
Guardian.It is a task of the magnitude of
which the lay observer has little idea.
There are thousands of these ceme-
teries, large and small, scattered
throughout the country, and many
are in remote districts badly served
by roads.Each cemetery has to be surveyed
and located, the owners traced,
boundaries to be agreed upon, the
land to be acquired. Parties of
working gardeners are carried round
the outlying cemeteries, and these
are levelled and sown with grass and
planted with flowers and trees. There
is a great deal of ground to be covered
by these travelling gardeners, and
in the intervals between their visits
the remoter cemeteries are liable to
become rather overgrown, but as the
work advances into the forward areas
and there are better facilities for
bitting the permanent gardeners this
temporary and periodical unemploy-
ment will disappear.Behind the lines the condition of
the cemeteries gives less cause for
criticism. The gardening work is
more advanced and is maintained in
excellent condition, the turf is level
and well kept and of a quality com-
parable to some of the best English
lawns. In some cases where the
work of construction is now proceed-
ing it is not possible always to avoid
damaging the turf, but exceptional
care is taken by the contractors to
protect it.The work is advancing well. In
some cases the headstones are now
fixed. At the base cemeteries they
are regularly spaced in ordered ranks,
in sharp contrast to the front-line
cemeteries, where the burials were
carried out under more difficult con-
ditions, giving to the placing of the
headstones a penetrating historic
significance. Flowers grow round
the bases of these slabs, and
shrubs, trees and hedges are up.
Each cemetery will contain in a
domestic position the war cross,
which varies in size according to the
size of the cemetery. This mono-

FARROW'S BANK

A DIRECTOR'S INNOCENCE.

NEVER KNEW ANYTHING WRONG.

London, June 9th.—Remarkable
evidence of the innocence of a Direc-
tor of Farrow's Bank was given on
the resumption of the trial to-day.The Director, in question, Mr.
Janvry, gave evidence that he at-
tended all the Board meetings from
August, 1918, till February, 1920,
when he resigned owing to his health,
but the resignation was not accepted.
He never saw or heard anything
wrong.Mr. William Read, who negotiated
the purchase of the Bank, stated that
after he discovered that the bank was
insolvent he asked Crotch how Jan-
vry could have been a director with-
out knowing the true situation, and
Crotch replied: "Poor old Jan, he
only lent his name when we wanted
a Director. He does not know any-
thing about the business anyway."Mr. Read said that Crotch, when
confronted with the discovery of the
Bank's insolvency, just wilted im-
mediately and said that if he believed
in a hereafter he would know ex-
actly what to do, but as he did not, he
must just face it out. Farrow, in
similar circumstances, adopted an at-
titude of denial.Mr. Henry Keogh, joint manager
at the head office, gave evidence.
He said that he declined to sign the
1919 and 1920 balance sheets.A possible line of defence was
hinted at by Farrow's counsel, who
read the pamphlet of the Bank and
asked the witness if he could find
any statement in it that the Bank was
prosperous and solvent.Mr. Keogh replied in the negative.
Replying to Mr. Curtis Bennett
for Farrow, Mr. Elliott, a member of
a firm of chartered accountants who
investigated the affairs of the Bank,
said that he did not think that the
values of the Bank's properties were
ever reported. He admitted that
he could not form a right opinion as
to whether the Bank was solvent or
not without valuing the properties.The "Cross of Sacrifice" bears upon
it a sword in bronze. The great War
Stone is not in all the cemeteries,
only in the larger ones. It is placed
in the East. The inscription on the
stone of remembrance is "Their name
liveth for evermore."
They are tranquil places some of
these burying grounds—these spots
"For ever England." Such is the
little cemetery of Enniscorthy, near
Albert, bounded on two sides by a
quiet, cultivated downland, on the
third side separated by meadows the
village church and some cottages and
between it and the road, the cool,
shady communal cemetery, where
also sleep some of France's sons
"morts pour la patrie."

NEW ELECTRIC FORCE.

REMARKABLE EXPERIMENTS.

WONDERFUL WORK BY MINUTE
CURRENTS.A new electrical force, by which
infinitely small electric currents are
able to perform work out of all pro-
portion to their magnitude, was de-
scribed to a crowded gathering of the
Institution of Electrical Engineers by
Mr. Alfred Johnson and Mr. Knud
Rahbek, who had been invited to
come to London to repeat the re-
markable experiments they have re-
cently made in Copenhagen.The story of the valve which has
revolutionised wireless telephony is
well-known to-day—how it picks up
the minutest electric currents and
makes it possible to magnify them
into sounds which reproduce the
voice of a speaker thousands of miles
away.The Danish engineers have made a
more remarkable discovery than this.
Currents still more feeble can not
only be detected, but can be made
to do actual work, such as to actuate
a telegraph relay or Morse printer, or
enormously to magnify the voice.
It is no exaggeration to say that their
new relay makes it possible to have a
portable wireless receiving set little
bigger than a fountain pen.The discovery is of the simplest
character. It is that certain minerals
such as slate or agate, when in con-
tact with a piece of metal, stick to-
gether with intense firmness when
even an excessively minute electric
current passes through them.

THE NEW POWER.

A slate cylinder, for instance, is
slowly revolved with a metal band
round it. As soon as a current
passes through the two the cylinder
is stopped dead or the band held
tight. A heavy lithographic stone
was picked up by a brass disc only
two inches in diameter when a cur-
rent of extreme feebleness passed
through it—so feeble that it made
no difference even when the current
passed first through the body of one
of the lecturers.What this means in practice is that
a few thousand extra, ounces would
make little or no difference in send-
ing a wireless message. The rate of
receiving wireless telegraph mes-
sages can be speeded up to several
hundred words a minute, and so
forth.The possibilities of the discovery
when fully investigated, will un-
doubtedly lead to fresh advances in
many branches of commercial elec-
tricity. The new power, says Mr.
Thorne Baker, generated by current
so small as to be tedious, negligible,
strikes one as the nearest approach
yet seen to the "magical" problem
of perpetual motion.

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AUCTIONEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT AND ADMIRALTY.

Coal Contractors General Brokers.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

TUESDAY,

July 12, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS, CARPETS,

Comprising:—

Dining Suites, Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs (new), Card and Occasional Tables, Teakwood Twin Bedsteads, large and small Wardrobes, Dressing Tables and Chairs, Washstands, &c., (fumed Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner Wagons, Dinner Services, Crockery, & Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, &c., Bath Room Utensils, Electro-plated Ware, One American Ice Chest, Electric Reading Lamps, Screens, Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures, &c.

Also

One Copper Bath, &c. (Full Particulars from Catalogue). Terms: Cash on delivery. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED)

FRIDAY,

July 15, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

Chinese Porcelains, Curies,

Leathered Ware, &c., &c.

Including a variety of 5-coloured and 3-coloured Vases, Wall Plates, Table Screens, Blue and White Vases and Lacquer burners, Old Bronze and Brass Figures and Vases, Kakemonos, Lacquered Ware, Ivory, Jade, Agate and Crystal Ornaments.

The above stock recently arrived from the North and includes pieces from the Ming, Kungchi, Kienlung and Tok-wong Periods.

The bulk of which will be sold without reserve.

Also

One Carved Ivory Tank and Standa. length 7 ft. weight 50 lbs. (Full Particulars from Catalogue). On view from afternoon before sale. Terms: Cash on delivery. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, July 8, 1921.

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TO LET—ONE NICELY FURNISHED ROOM, with board and every convenience. Suitable for married couple. Apply Box No. 1300, c/o "CHINA MAIL."

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FOR SALE—ONE or TWO LOTS of LAND, in Jordan Road, Kowloon, about seven minutes by Ricksha from Ferry. For plan & further particulars apply Box 1288, c/o "CHINA MAIL."

TO LET.

TO LET—GODOWN at Yau-mai. For particulars apply to THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION Co., Ltd.

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

July 8th, 1921.

Butcher Meat.		Poultry.	
Beef, Sirloin—Mal Long Pa	lb. 21	Chicken—Kai Tai	lb. 35
Prime Cut	21	Capons, Small—Sin Kai	38
Corried—Ham Ngau Yuk	22	Capons, Large—Sin Kai	42
Roast—Shin	21	Duck—Ap	32
Brast—Ngau Nam	18	Doves—Fau Kau	31
Scop—Tong Yuk	17	Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking) per doz.	25
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	21	Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (fresh)...	26
Steak Sirloin—Ngau Lau	30	Fowls, Canton—Kai...	52
Bananas—Ngau Cheung	25	Fowls, Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	56
Sallock's Brain—Ngau No per set	10	Geese—Nga	56
Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li each 50		Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap, each	43
Tongue, corned—Ham Ngau Li each 50 cent		Hothow—Hoi Hui Pak Kap	36
Head—Ngau Tau	80	Turkeys, Cook—Fo Kai Kung	80
Heart—Ngau Sam	14	Turkeys, Hen—Fo Kai Na	60
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	30	Salps—Sha Tai...	each
Feet—Ngau Keuk	10	Pheasant—Shin Kai...	each
Kidneys—Ngau Yit	9	Quail—Om Chun	...
—Ngau Mei	18	Partridges—Che Ku	...
Liver—Ngau Kon	13		
Tripe (addressed), Ngau To	5		
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-tai-lau-keuk	set \$1.00		
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat	lb. 33		
Leg—Yeung Pui	33		
Shoulder—Yeung Shan	28		
Saddle—Yeung On Yuk	33		
Pig's Chittlings—Chu Chong	22		
Brains—Chu No	per set 2		
Feet—Chu Keuk	lb. 15		
Fry—Chu Chap	16		
Head—Chu Tau	15		
Heart—Chu Sam	each 10		
Kidneys—Chu Yit	each 10		
Liver—Chu Kon	lb. 33		
Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwat	25		
Leg—Chu Pui	30		
Loins—Chu Hui Tau	24		
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	23		
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung	set 70		
Tau-Keuk	each 10		
Heart—Yeung Sam	each 10		
Kidneys—Yeung Yit	each 12		
Liver—Yeung Kon	lb. 33		
Sacking Pigs to order—Chu Tai	24		
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngau Yau	19		
Mutton—Shang Ngau Yau	32		
Veal—Ngau Tai Yuk	90		
Sausages—Ngau Tai Cheung	No. 1 lb. 26		

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb. 11
Bream—Pin Yu	22
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	16
Caro—Li Yu	24
Catfish—Chik Yu	18
Codfish—Man Yu	16
Croake—Hal	26
Outside Fish—Muk Yu	18
Dth—Sha Mang Yu	40
Dace—Wong Mai Lap	12
Dog Fish—Tui To Sha	10
Sole, Conger—Hoi Man	22
Fresh water—Tam Shui Yu	18
Yellow—Wong Sin	26
Frog—Tin Kai	38
Grouper—Shet Pan	44
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	16
Herrings—Tao Pak	22
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	18
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	26
Loach—Wu Yu	32
Lo-betwa—Lung Ha	36
Mackerel—Chi Yu	30
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	32
Mullet—Tui Yu	16
Oyster—Shang Ho	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	16
Patch—Tui Lo	24
Pike—Fa Pan Fung	14
Plaice—Pau Yu	24
Pomfret, Black—Hoi Cheung	32
Pomfret, White—Cheung	34
Shrimp—Ming B	40
Squid—Pai Pa Shu	10
Rock Fish—Shet Kan Kung	14
Roach—Chun Yu	26
Salmon—Ma Yau	40
Shark—Sha Yu	10
Shrimp—Po Yu	14
Shrimps—Ha	22
Souppet—Lap Yu	36
Sole—Tui B	28
Tench—Wu	13
Turbot—Tui	38
Turbot, sea	each 1.00

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes—Ab Chi Cheuk	each
Beans, Sprout—Nga Tau	lb. 4
Long—Tau Kok	8
Beet Root—Hong Tai Tau	each 5
Bitter Squash—Fa Kwa	5
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yau Kwa	5
Red—Hong Kwa	5
Cabbage Chinese, (common)—Kai Tai	6
(Shanghai)—Ye Tai	14
Care Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	...
Cauliflower (Large)—Ye Tai Fa each	...
(Medium)—...	...
(Small)—...	...
Carrots—Kam Shun	lb. 6
Celery Chinese—Tong Kai Tai	12
Chillies, Dried—Kon Lat Chis	22
Red—Hong Fa Chis	6
Green—Ching Lat Chis	6
Curry Stalk, English—Ka Li Che Lie	lb. 10
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	each 2
Garlic—Sun Tau	lb. 6
Ginger young—Sun Tau Keung	8
Ginger, old—Lo Keung	8
Horseradish, Shanghai—Luk Kau	50
Indian Corn—Shuk Mai	each 6
Lettuce—Yeung Shing Tai	lb. 10
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	lb. 8
Mandarin—Kwai	...
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Tau Ko	lb. 45
Okros	lb. 8
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tai	lb. 8
Onions, Green—Shang Chung	lb. 5
Onions, Shanghai—Shang-hoi	...
Parley—Kau Tai	...
Potato, Sweet—Fau Sin	...
Japanese—Yat Pan Shu Tai	lb. 10
Pumpkin—Tung Kwa	...
Radish—Hong Lo Pak Tai	...
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tui Yung	...
Shallots—Kong Cheung Tai	...
Sprink—Yiu Tai	...
Tomatoes—Fau Ka	...
Taro—Wu Tai	...
Turnips, French (Long)—Lo Pak	...
Vegetable Marrow—Tui Kwa	...
Water Cress—Bai Yeung Tai	...
Yam—Lo Sin	...

THE KONG HIP LUNG CO., LTD

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INTIMATIONS.

THE VICTORIA CAFE CO., LTD. (In Liquidation).

THE Creditors of the above-named Company are required, on or before the 25th day of July, 1921, to send their names and addresses, and particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any) to the undersigned, the Liquidator of the said Company; and further if so required by notice in writing, personally or by their Solicitors or Representatives, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, and notices in writing given in default thereof, such Creditors will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution before such debts are proved. Dated at Hongkong this 5th day of July, 1921.

H. PERCY SMITH, Liquidator.

NOTICE.

IF CARMEN BADARACO, who was residing at Macao, last year, will communicate with the undersigned, she will hear of something to her advantage. LEO D'ALMADA & CASTRO, Solicitor. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong. Hongkong, July 8, 1921.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HONGKONG DOLLAR DIRECTORY has been acquired, as from July 7th, 1921, by the undersigned with all rights and titles, and will hereafter be published by them. No claims against the Hongkong Dollar Directory incurred prior to this date will be admitted by the undersigned.

THE NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE LTD. 5, Wyndham Street. Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

THE COST OF LIVING.

STILL 128 PER CENT ABOVE 1914.

The Labour Gazette states that the average level of retail prices of all the commodities, including food, rent, clothing, fuel, light, and miscellaneous items, on April 30, was 128 per cent above that figure for July, 1914, compared with 133 per cent on April 1. The decrease was mainly due to reductions in the prices of food, but clothing also continued to decline in cost.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

The depression in employment which had become exceptionally severe at the end of March in consequence of the continued decline in trade was rendered much more acute during April by the increasing shortage of fuel resulting from the general stoppage of work at the coalmines. In most of the great coal-using industries employment was greatly reduced, and in some cases—e.g., pig-iron, tinplate, and pottery manufacture—it was almost at a standstill. In agriculture and in the building trades employment generally was fairly well maintained throughout the month.

The percentage of unemployed among members of trade unions (mainly of skilled workpeople) from which returns are received rose from 10.0 (or 10.5 excluding coal mining, for which no figures are available for April) to 17.6 at the end of April, and the percentage of unemployed among the 12,000,000 workpeople insured under the Unemployment Insurance Act rose from 11.4 on March 24 to 15.0 on April 29.

[As already shown in the weekly reports the number of workpeople registered as unemployed rose from 1,414,000 on March 24 to 1,854,000 on April 29, and the short-time claimants from 382,000 males and 457,000 females on March 24 to 524,000 males and 553,000 females on April 29.]

WAGE CHANGES.

In the industries for which statistics are collected changes in rates of

wages reported to the department as having been arranged to come into operation in April affected over 1,165,000 workpeople, of whom about 1,147,000 sustained decreases amounting to over £270,000 and over 18,000 received increases amounting to about £2,700 a week. The principal reductions under cost of living sliding scales affected railway workers (4s. per week), wool textile workers, Yorkshire (4 per cent on current rates), textile dyeing, bleaching, &c., Yorkshire 12 per cent, Lancashire and Scotland 9s. 8d.). Under sliding scales dependent on selling prices there were reductions in the wages of blastfurnace men and iron and steel workers in various districts.

IF YOU WORRY, READ THIS.

Useful Hints for Dark Days.

Worry never brought any good to anybody. Still, you say, "I don't worry because I want to; it is because I can't help it" or "I worry because I have so much to worry about." We all have our troubles, and worry, of course, makes matters worse. The patient generally recognises this fact without being influenced in any way by it. The doctor who could meet this nervous condition and cure it would be the most popular man alive. He cannot do it, however, because the form of nervous exhaustion known as neurasthenia, of which worry is a characteristic symptom, must be cured to a large extent by the patient. But as the nerves depend upon the blood for nourishment, it naturally follows that by building up and reinforcing the blood the patient is tackling the actual root of the trouble. And that is why Dr. Williams' pink pills have proved so successful in case of neurasthenia and nervous debility, for they supply the pure rich blood necessary to feed the nerves. You should write to-day for the book "The Nerves and Their Needs," and read the chapter on neurasthenia. Many people have written, "This describes my case exactly; I am trying the treatment and being benefited." A copy will be sent free if you address a post card to Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 94, Exchange Road, Shanghai. Dr. Williams' pills are a true nerve tonic particularly suitable for nervous, neurasthenic people. Most dealers sell them, or direct and post free at \$1.50 per bottle, \$3 for 6 bottles, from the above address.

HONGKONG TRADE.

EFFECTS OF FIGHTING FELT.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—Unsettled conditions in the two Kwangs have hampered business. Reports from Manchester are optimistic in tone, and prices are expected to harden there.

Cotton Yarn.—The market has ruled very dull and attention is concentrated on the outcome of the hostilities now proceeding in the interior. Values have weakened for the lower counts and are more or less nominal. Quotations are:—No. 10s. \$135.175. No. 12s. \$152.180. No. 16s. \$190.215. No. 20s. \$197.227. Arrivals 3,000 bales. Sales 500 bales. Shipments nil. Unsold Stock 5,000 bales. Bargains 8,000 bales.

Woolens.—A small business has been done in Spanish Stripes and small lots of Blankets have been left go at ruinous rates. The market is hampered again by the fighting up country.

Raw Cottons.—Prices are practically unaltered as follows:—Indian grades \$22.25 per picul. Chinese grades \$26.36 per picul.

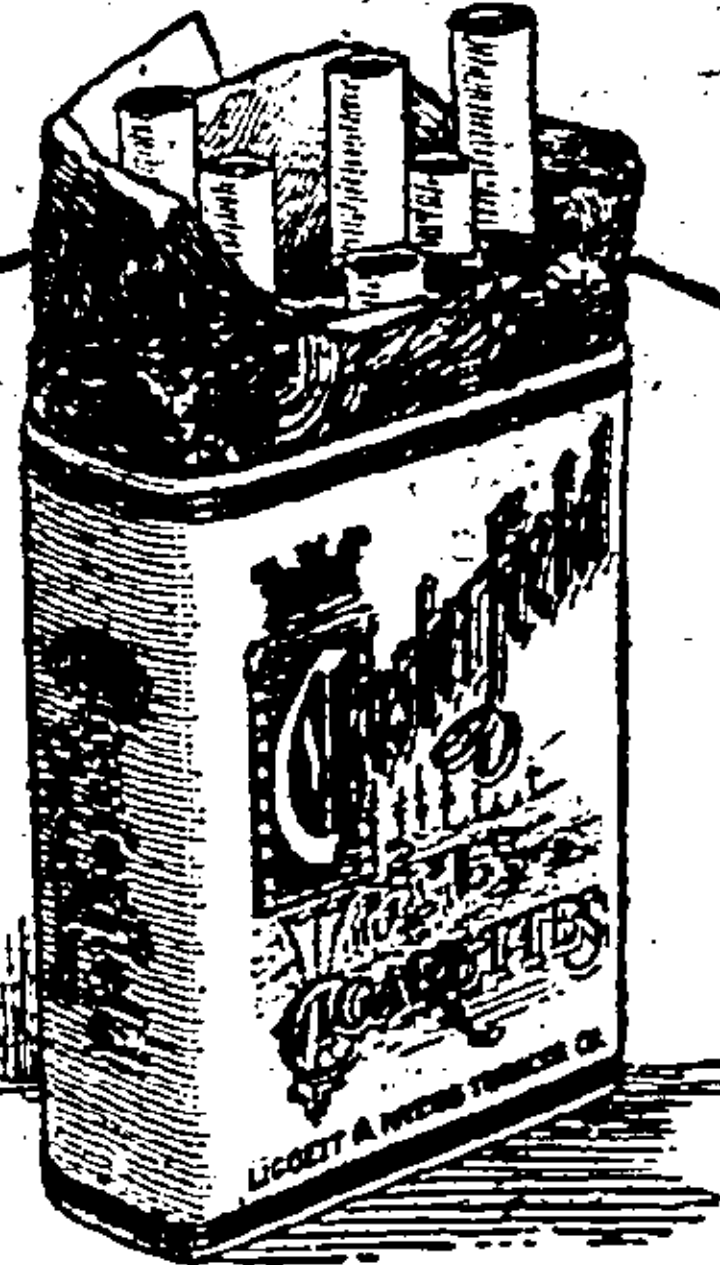
Metals.—Small business is reported in Wire Nails at very low prices compared to the sales of 3 months ago. The 1-1 in. being done at \$10.50 to \$11.00 and 1-1/2 in. at \$8.00 per picul. Steel Bars can be done at \$5.50 and Steel Plates at \$6.00 to \$6.25 for arrival. Dealers are holding off, fearing the bottom has not been reached.

Yellow Metal.—Nominal Nil. Flour Market Report. Stock: About 100,000 sacks.

Quotations:—American Patent \$4.75 per sack, American Cut off \$3.25 per sack, American Straight \$3.05 per sack, Shanghai Flour \$3.25 per sack.

Petroleum Products.—No change. Sundries and Coals.—The quotations given are below replacing value, which is firm according to latest advice from Belgium.

Java Sugar.—Market quiet. Philippine Sugar.—Market declining. Saltpetre.—Stock 3,000 Bags. Market quiet.



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BIRTH.

SMEDLEY—On July 2, 1921, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smedley, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

CANDLIN-BATES—On Saturday, July 2, 1921, at Shanghai, Thomas Henry Robinson Candlin, second son of Rev. G. T. Candlin, D.D., Bates, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bates, of Shepherd's Bush, London.

The China Mail.

TRADE, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JULY 11, 1921.

WASTEFUL FUNERALS.

"It is worth a thousand years of strife, the labour of a good man's life, to lessen, be it but by one, the countless ills beneath the sun. So one Quincy L. Dowd has written, and the University of Chicago Press has published a remarkable book entitled 'Funeral Management and Cremation.' It would be good if the ideas of this book could be popularized, for funeral superstitions and extravagances and waste represent one of those 'countless ills' spoken of in the verse with which we opened. 'The problem is not new, but this investigation of it is unique. Bereaved hearts,' we are told, are too distraught to transmit intelligently the business of burial. It isn't that so much, as the ignorance and apathy of those not in present grief, the slavishness with which convention, ancient and stupid custom, is followed. Moreover, as is well known, in certain classes ostentatious funerals are a gratification

of a vulgar and thoughtless vanity, rather than a tribute of honour to the dead. It frequently sacrifices the living to the dead, as literally as ever did suttee. Insurance companies at home batten on this human folly. The community as a whole loses by it, as we may note especially in China, which comes within our reverend author's purview. The disposal of the dead should be municipal business. In America the average cost, exclusive of graves, tombs, monuments, etc., is put at \$150, which means about \$135,000,000 a year spent on funerals. That does not seem to include the cost of 'mourning' clothes, happily going out of fashion among ourselves, who used to carry it to ridiculous excesses, some described in the pages of Dickens. The average cost will be roundabout that figure in England, for though we do not give our undertakers as much rope as the Americans do, nor dignify their coffins with the fancy name of casket, we have not yet seen the absurdity of wasting our substance on the decoration and trimming of casket. Reviewing the diversity of charges in the various states, our author notes that a flash of fun now and then lights up this sombre subject. He quotes an undertaker's advertisement as follows:—'For composing the features, \$1. For giving the appearance of Christian hope and contentment, \$5.' We also have our grim jokes, as in the story of the Lancashire man who lay dying. His wife asked him if there was anything he 'fancied.' 'There is, lass,' he said. 'I've been fancying a bit of that jam, but there, lass. There is an Undertakers' Association in England, a trade guild, whose impudence should certainly be checked by the Government. One of the Bushey Board of Guardians, a humane

lady, noticing the horrible expense of funerals incurred by poor people, presented for free public use a wheeled bier, to encourage simple, walking funerals. The Undertakers' Association wrote to the Rector of Bushey that its members would decline to use such a bier. They preferred the costly hearse with its trappings and its profits, and although the Board of Guardians made a fight for it, the profiteers were apparently strong enough to prevail.

Earth burial itself (apart from ostentatious funerals) is expensive, wasteful, and insanitary. The good land so wasted in over-crowded China is realized by us all, the same in our own over-crowded urban areas is apt to be overlooked. The disposal of the dead should be a municipal matter, and were it made so, we would soon see cremation the chief method. Until this business is taken out of private hands altogether, reform will be slow. Publicity and argument, however, should help to clarify public opinion and make it more thoughtful and sensible.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Tenders for the purchase of the W. D. vessel 'Hercules,' with engines, boilers, and various spare stores, close at the Ordnance Office at noon to-morrow.

An auction sale of teakwood and blackwood furniture, etc., will be conducted by Messrs Hughes and Hough to-morrow afternoon at their sales room, No. 8 Des Vaux Road.

For a new rest and recreation hall for the dock workers at Yokohama, three shipping companies, the O.S.K., the K.K.K., and the N.Y.K., have each contributed ¥10,000 and 23 other firms closely allied with the shipping business have contributed a total of ¥22,000. The hall is to be built in the Customs compound.

On the ground of the high cost of living Chinese painters in Hongkong have petitioned the contractors for an all-round increase in wages of 40 per cent. No reply has yet been received but some of the contractors have agreed to attend a meeting convened by the Painters' Guild for the purpose of discussing the position.

Through a clutch not answering quickly enough recently in Tientsin, a motor car containing Mr. Hutchison, of the American Trading Co., and his chauffeur, went quickly back towards the river at a point near the end of Rue Cleverly. Fortunately it was low water at the time so that only the rear portion of the car was submerged, the engine portion being clear of the water. The occupants were unhurt and merely had the unpleasant experience of collecting a fair quantity of mud on their clothes.

A desire to go on the stage, led two young Chinese girls—aged 15 and 17 respectively—into a series of adventures which ended in the police court on Saturday, when one of two youths was charged before Magistrate Lindell with having harboured unmarried girls without the knowledge and consent of their parents. The other man, alleged to have been the prime mover in the affair, has absconded. The girls said that the men told them alluring stories of the stage and eventually prevailed upon them to agree to pass off as their sisters and come to Hongkong to receive training as actresses. In Hongkong the men took them to various Chinese theatres, but made no attempt to carry out their promise, suggesting instead that the girls live immoral lives. The defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. The Magistrate told him that had he been the principal in the matter he would have received six months. The girls will return to their parents in the country.

Attempting to utter a forged Singapore \$1 note was the charge preferred against three Chinese before Magistrate Lindell on Saturday. The first man, according to Inspector Appleton, attempted to pass the note at two money changers' shops and was subsequently arrested by a district watchman. From information given by first defendant, the other two men were also taken into custody. First defendant said when he complained about the slowness of work, the second defendant gave him 10 cents to buy food if he succeeded in changing it. The other two men accompanied him to two money changers' shops and saw the note refused. There was no evidence against the third defendant excepting that he was in the company of the other two men. He had been charged because it was anticipated that ownership of the note would be shifted to third defendant by second defendant. After evidence had been given to prove that first defendant knew the note was forged when he attempted to change it the second time, the Magistrate sentenced first defendant to six weeks' hard labour, and the second defendant who did not deny first defendant's accusation regarding ownership of the note, to three months. Third defendant was discharged.

SPECIAL CABLE

SHANGHAI NEWS.

RICE SHOPS REOPEN.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, June 9. The rice shops have reopened. Licences for Chinese dealers were taken in batches and distributed through the Rice Guild in order to 'save face.'

AMERICAN COURT CLERK. Mr. William Chapman was installed with ceremony as clerk of the American Court.

COMPRADORE'S CONTRACT.

LIABILITY FOR SMUGGLING.

AN INTERESTING LEGAL DECISION.

How far a ship's compradore can be held liable in respect of opium smuggling was a point which presented itself for decision in connection with a case heard in the Summary Court to-day before the Puisse Judge, Mr. J. R. Wood.

The plaintiff was Cheung Hung, compradore of the s.s. 'Cari,' who claimed from two co-defendants, Choy In Ching and the Shiu Hing Steamship Co., the return of a deposit of \$500 lodged with the defendants at the time he was made compradore of their ship. His claim was met by a counter by the owners in respect of a fine of about \$1,400 imposed on the ship by the Chinese Maritime Customs for opium smuggling.

Mr. T. Rowan appeared to support the claim and Mr. G. G. N. Tinson represented the defendants.

The question at issue was, His Honour pointed out when giving judgment, as to whether the imposition of the fine upon the owners of the ship entitled them to retain the deposit made by the compradore under his contract. 'I find,' the judge proceeded, 'that the fine was imposed in respect of the smuggling of opium some of which was found in the cargo hold of which the compradore held the key and other portions of which were found in other parts of the ship which have not been shown to be under the care and charge of the compradore. The conditions under which the deposit was made were not drawn up in writing between the parties and there was a dispute between the witnesses as to the circumstances which the guarantee was supposed to cover. The compradore states that this deposit was made as guarantee against theft of cargo or against the loss by the company of any money collected for passenger fares and any other purposes. Witnesses called on behalf of the shipping company state that in addition to these purposes it was also agreed between the Company and the compradore that the deposit was a guarantee against smuggling by the compradore's staff or by any person using part of the ship under the control of the compradore. It is to be noted that the evidence given by the witnesses for the company in this particular does not agree with the terms on which their counter claim is drawn. There the guarantee against smuggling is stated to be an absolute guarantee against all smuggling on board and not the limited guarantee against smuggling which the witnesses have indicated.'

'Having heard all the witnesses,' His Honour concluded 'I incline to the view that the guarantee included nothing whatever about smuggling. It is for the company who claim to retain the deposit to show that they have good cause under their contract giving them the legal right to retain it. The onus is on them and it seems to me that they have not been able to show it. I propose therefore to give judgment for the plaintiff with costs in both cases.'

MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE.

PROSPEROUS EMIGRANT'S DEATH.

Found by Sub-Inspector Wills hanging by a black silk girdle to a tree on Mount Davis, about 100 yards above Jubilee Road, the remains of a well-dressed Chinese were yesterday removed to the public mortuary. At first it was thought that the man had been murdered by robbers for his money, but when the body was searched, a purse was found containing a quantity of Hongkong and Chinese 10-cent pieces, and several dollars worth of Singapore 10-cent notes. The case is obviously one of suicide, but the police are at a loss to know its cause. The deceased appeared to be a prosperous returned emigrant from Singapore. Enquiries are proceeding.

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FOR THEM THAT ARE ALIVE WITH ME TO-DAY.

A SORT OF REVIEW.

Having walked far to this beach, and swum a little, I lay back where a rock held off the sunshine, and looked at the loveliness of the world, the eternal sea, the hills, the armada of clouds, sailing to their doom on a British Rock, and I bethought me that were that sea all ink, and that sky all paper, yet could I never make an end of listing the charm of it. The thought that thousands of years ago, on a shore like this, hands like mine played with pebbles like these, and that thousands of years hence, all these things will happen again, and some man feel as I do now, was much with me. James Elroy Flecker has left a message for him, in words sent as messengers along the way we may not travel. To our heir of that coming century he calls:

I care not if you bridge the seas
Or ride secure the cruel sky,
Or build consummate palaces
Of metal or of masonry.
But have you wine and music still,
And statues and a bright-eyed love,
And foolish thoughts of good and ill,
And prayers to them who sit above?

Art yearns for expressions to give permanence to the sense of beauty and of being. As when W. H. Davies tries to record an experience like mine upon my beach:

Sweet Chance, that led my steps abroad,
Beyond the town, where wild flowers grow—
A rainbow and a cuckoo, Lord,
How rich and great the times are now!
Know, all ye sheep,
And cows, that keep
On staring that I stand so long
In grass that's wet from heavy rain—
A rainbow and a cuckoo's song
May never come together again:
May never come
This side the tomb.

So we may walk abroad again, revisit this beach, and watch another sunset as fine, but shall we recapture the magic of this mood, that makes the poet, the artist, paint, and us take out our notebook, to put down in prose shorthand this piping music of the caged soul, thin and sweet, and tentative, this tuning up, as it were, of the golden harp we may not thrum boldly until the great Conductor shakes his baton at us? Are the things we call day-dreams peeps at realities, and the rest of our unseeing life the dream? T. E. Brown must have thought so, when he wrote 'Opitex,' the cry of a poet who cannot say what he would say, but is more determined than despairing.

carving images from clouds,
And tinting them with soft ethereal dyes
Pressed from the pulp of dreams.

That such seekers after reality need leisure for life, W. H. Davies reminds us with simplicity:

What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare?
No time to stand beneath the boughs
And stare as long as sheep or cows.

A poor life this if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.

These standing and staring scenes at times awake us from the dream of business, make us aware:—

At last we know that we have died
When we hear music from that band,
And then we would steal forth a hand
To draw a brother to our side.

O glory of life on a sunlit earth, to be blind and not see it! O joy of being, to be thoughtless and feel it not! O sense of oneness with nature, and to be unaware! To pass from one darkness into that darker darkness, from life unavowed into death unmarked, without seeing the dawn or hearing its voices! Praise ye your poets that save you from that. Praise one A.M., who hath compiled 'An Anthology of Modern Verse,' and praise Methuen the publisher, who hath published for six shillings these hundreds of messages from 89 poets. Though you may be shackled to urban things, unable to reach my beach and to play with my yellow sands, you may read this book, and be taken (that core of you which lives) to the top of the hill where the sky grows wide, and where the sun grows red. It is good to go thus, but it is better to go in your own body, and to see with your own eyes.—W.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"THE PURSE STRING."

Not the least clever of the many excellent plays staged by the H. B. Waring Company during their two seasons in Hongkong was 'Purse Strings,' a comedy not without an occasional note of tragedy, which they presented to a good house in the Theatre Royal on Saturday night.

Distinguished by a dry humour liberally embellished with epigram, the story is woven around the one fault in an otherwise admirable husband, an obstinate refusal to make his wife an allowance out of his comfortable income. The theft of a pair of silk stockings, the threat of police court proceedings, a suit for libel, and a voluntary bankruptcy are events that help to turn the tables and give the wife control of the purse strings. An unpaid hotel bill is the strange cause that reconciles husband and wife after a period in which the latter has been subjected to a course of his own treatment.

Mr. Charles Quartermaine was excellent as the rather fatuous husband, playing the part with an easy indifference that contrasted well with his few moments of passion. Miss Jeannette Sherwin again proved herself an accomplished actress by her skilful portrayal of the harassed wife, rising to fine heights of histrionic ability in the more spirited passages. As the practical widow, Miss May Hallatt had a part worthy of her unquestionable talent, while Mr. Frederick Anzerley as Mr. Edward Ashby, K.C., the family friend, won general admiration by his fine acting. The applause was so great at the conclusion of each act that the curtain had to be raised four or five times to allow the players to receive the enthusiastic tribute of the audience. At the conclusion of the last act, the Company received an ovation. A magnificent basket of flowers was presented across the footlights to Miss Jeannette Sherwin. In the absence of Mr. H. B. Waring, Mr. Charles Quartermaine thanked the audience for its cordial reception of the play, and hoped to return later in the cooler weather when the heat would not tend to make the audiences so small. This announcement was greeted with further applause.

CHEFALO AND PALERMO.

MANY NEW ILLUSIONS.

During their six nights' engagement at the Woking Theatre, Chefalo and Palermo will present many new mysteries and illusions not shown on their previous visit to Hongkong. Chefalo is a wonderful magician. That no one can deny. He is also an inventor and is constantly adding new tricks, illusions and effects to his already big stock of mysteries. For their return engagement Chefalo and Palermo will present many new surprises, giving a performance that will surpass anything in the line of magical performances ever attempted here. Their engagement at the Woking Theatre begins on July 15, and they will give a full performance there every night at 9.15 at popular prices.

BANDMAN OPERA CO.



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"BRAN PIZ" ON MONDAY.

The regret of local theatregoers at the departure of the Bandman Opera Company three months ago was tempered by the thought that the Company would return here on its way home. That happy day is now at hand as the Company will open at the Theatre Royal for a brief season commencing Monday night with that ever popular London production 'Bran Piz.'

The present company had the honour of being presented with more than 500 yen worth of flowers by the Japanese community on their final performance in Osaka.

Rolling comedy, good music, plenty of dancing, sums up the ingredients of which 'Bran Piz' is composed and all who desire to see the Revue at its best should not miss the opportunity of participating in this banquet of good things; for those preferring extravaganzas produced on a magnificent scale 'Bran Piz' should not be missed as it is universally proclaimed to be one of the very best.

A HUNGRY THIEF.

HARD HIT MAN FROM THE COUNTRY.

"QUITE A LOT OF TEMPTATION."

"I was compelled to steal because I had been without anything to eat for several days," was the plea entered by a Chinese charged before Magistrate Orme this morning with having snatched a gold chain with jade pendant valued at \$60 from a Chinese woman on Hill Street, West Point, last night.

Defendant added that he had been only 18 days in Hongkong. Having failed to find work, he had spent all his money.

The Magistrate (to Inspector Appleton): Do you think he is really 'hard hit'?

The Inspector: Yes. There is nothing known about him. There is quite a lot of temptation for people of the defendant's description in the vicinity to Shikongshui.

The Magistrate passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

JEWELLERY FOR JAPANESE.

DISPUTE OVER PURCHASE.

A claim by Mohideen & Co., jewellers, against a Japanese photographer named Taniyama for payment of \$340 said to be due in respect of jewellery sold and delivered occupied the attention of the Puisse Judge (Mr. J. R. Wood) in the Summary Court this morning. Evidence was given by the plaintiff that in January the defendant came to his shop with a Japanese lady, Mrs. Sano, proprietress of the photography firm known as 'Messrs. Mumeya & Sano' and bought certain diamond rings and other jewellery to the value of \$410. The defendant said that he would pay for the jewellery but had only so far paid \$70. Taniyama explained that Mrs. Sano, who had often previously bought jewellery from the plaintiff on time payment was the purchaser of the goods and this was understood by the parties at the time. He had paid the defendant instalments amounting to \$70 on behalf of Mrs. Sano who was now in Japan. Holding that it had not been established that credit for the goods was given to the defendant, His Honour dismissed the claim with costs. Mr. A. el Arculli appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Leo d'Almada for the defendant.

CAPT. D'OLIVEIRA.

NOT RETURNING TO CHINA.

It is unlikely that Capt. D'Oliveira, secretary of the Marine Officers' Guild, will return to China. We understand that the health of Mrs. D'Oliveira, which Shanghai did not suit, necessitates their remaining at home. The Guild will probably receive his resignation by an ensuing mail and have to look for a new Secretary. That it will do so with regret, those aware of Capt. D'Oliveira's long and capable work on this coast will prophesy.

TALK ON THE TRAM TOP.

"I think the bank depositors will be all right, by and by. Mr.—is offering them 80 per cent. for their claims."

"... liability of shipping firms for smuggled opium. I hear it will be tested soon by a case against the Company."

"Seems to have lost his reason, and they are sending him home. Boasted of walking about Wanchai with sufficient explosives on him to blow up half Hongkong."

In the present Bandman repertoire. Booking is at Montie's. Press announcements will give further details.

RUSSIAN OPERA COMPANY.

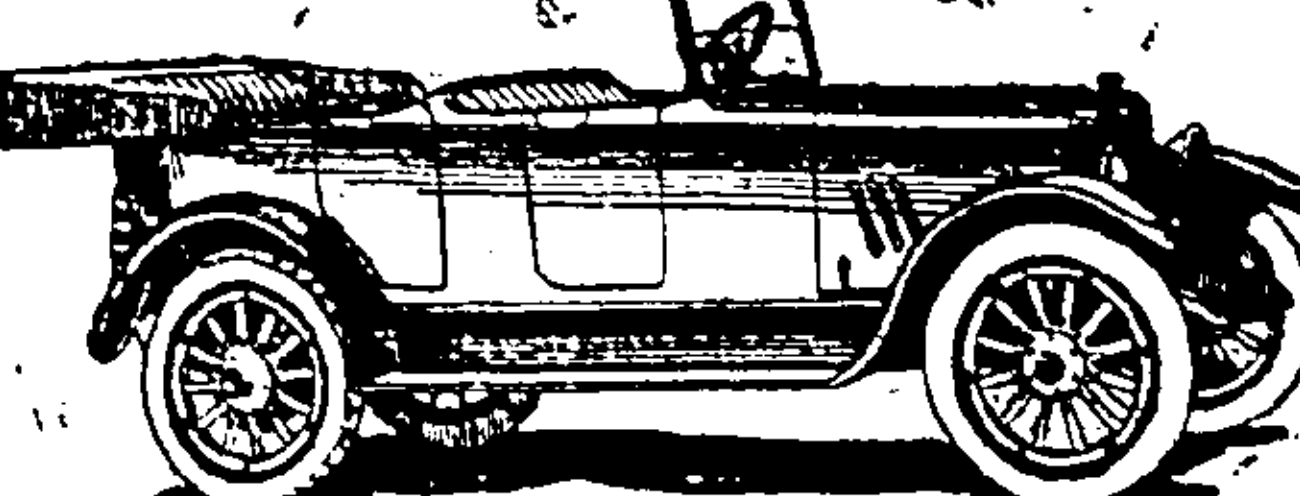
After a very successful season at Macao, the Russian Light Opera and Operetta Company will sail for Singapore by the B. E. s.s. 'Torilla' on Thursday. The Company expects to spend three or six months in Java, returning to Hongkong towards the end of the year and then visiting Manila, Shanghai and Japan before proceeding to America. Mr. Podol, manager of the Company wishes to thank local theatregoers for their support of the company which has thereby been encouraged to plan another season on its return visit.

COMING TO HONGKONG.

Coming to Hongkong shortly are Mr. Leo Podolsky, the brilliant pianist who has visited the Colony before and Miss Anna El-Tour, a talented singer who has been received with the highest praise everywhere she has performed. Further particulars of the concert to be given locally will be published later.

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ODDS AND ENDS.

MANLY SCISSORS LOOT.

An R. L. S. Manuscript.

All who claim to be Stevensonians will be interested in the announcement that a London bookshop is offering for sale a four-line manuscript poem by R. L. S., in Stevenson's autograph, and initialed by himself, with the date, 1887. The little piece is one of those which the novelist-poet was accustomed to write as a greeting to his wife at each New Year. It has not hitherto been published, and is, of course, copyright. The author of "Treasure Island" was, of all men, most happy in his form of greeting, and especially so to those whom he held dear. The little poem begins: "What can I wish . . . ?" and those four words extended to four lines yield a most effective and tenderly delicate gem. "A Jolly Good Sort."

The girl of to-day is getting a great deal of unpleasant attention from the people who specialise in advice. Only the other day she was being denounced for indulging in sports that are declared to unfit her for motherhood, and now she has been characterised by some speakers at Bristol as "only out for a good time and incapable of responsible citizenship." Of course, there always have been croakers who despaired of the modern girl, and I suppose she has been so long and persistently assailed that it is matter for surprise that our young women's war work ought to have silenced the croakers for ever, and that the modern girl never has had justice done to her. She is simply and sincerely a jolly good sort.

Asleep On A Mine.

A drifting mine which came ashore on the Durham coast some time ago, gave rise to an amusing incident which might, however, have easily resulted in a tragedy.

On a Saturday afternoon the Minesweeping Division at the Admiralty received a long-distance telephone call from the local Durham police, who stated that a mine had been washed ashore, but that before they or the Coastguard could warn people off, a miner—who had lunched well—had clambered on top of it and gone to sleep.

What were they to do? They were given strict injunctions not to attempt to arouse the man, because in waking up suddenly he might break one of the "horns," with disastrous results to himself and others.

Two hours later the police, in a very relieved voice, reported that the man had awakened of his own accord and had slid off the mine into safety. —Morning Post.

An Old London Clipper.

One of London's famous old Australian clippers is, after various vicissitudes, about to come up for auction in the City. This is the full-rigged iron ship "Hesperus," which in the nineties ran regularly between the Thames and Australia, carrying passengers and a large company of cadets. The good ship "Hesperus" and a similar packet, the "Harringer," were acquired in 1890 by Messrs. Devitt and Moore, who carried on what was known as the Brassey scheme of ocean training. Year after year the "Hesperus" ran out to Melbourne, making the passage on one occasion in 69 days from the Lizard. Given the luck of the winds she was a speedy craft, and her old master, Captain Barnett, well knew how to drive the last knot out of her. On her homeward run she came by way of the Cape of Good Hope, making a call at St. Helena. In 1899 she passed to the Russian flag, and under the name of Grand Duchess Maria Nikolaevna was kept at work as a training ship. She has now come back to England being at present moored in Wallasey Dock, Birkenhead. Once again she is under the British flag, and bears the name "Silvana." A beautiful example of a Clyde-built clipper, the old "Hesperus" has had her full share of service, but, being a staunchly-built iron packet, there may yet be before her a further useful spell of employment.

A merry crowd of holiday-makers in a West London suburb, the other morning were waiting to go for a motor-coach ride to Brighton. They had all booked seats and arrived in good time. The coach did not come at the appointed hour, and at last it dawned on the expectant passengers that they might have been tricked. They reported the matter to the police.

GENERAL ITEMS.

The King's yacht "Britannia" is being put into racing trim again.

Milk has dropped to 4d. a quart at the Sandbach, Cheshire, in London it is still 8d. a quart.

Since August 1914 \$18,805.177 has been awarded in the Admiralty Prize Court, of which about half has been paid out.

When a cat caught a young starling at Acton, W., the mother-bird flew at the cat and pecked it vigorously on the head, but in vain.

The death is announced of the wife of Marshal Hindenburg, aged 61, who accompanied her husband to Poland as a hospital nurse early in the war.

Musicians in the Olympic, by means of wireless telephones, entertained the "Aquitania's" passengers to banjo selections, while the ships were at sea 270 miles apart.

Striped stockings that will "marry themselves," as the Parisienne says, with the shoes which they accompany are to be worn with summer frocks in France. The stripes will be yellow, red or purple.

A wife told the Highgate magistrate that she pawed her wedding ring to get food, and that her husband, getting the ticket, redeemed the ring, refused to give it to her, and wore it himself.

The various types of aeroplanes flown during the war are included in the design of a memorial erected in St. Mary's Church, near the Scampton and North and South Carlton aerodromes, near Lincoln.

Bounding down the mountain side, an avalanche of large rocks, one of them weighing more than 2 tons, wrecked the small station of Tenay near the Swiss frontier, on the line from Paris to Geneva.

French breeders of Alsatian wolf dogs (which are making as much as £500 or £700) are sending experienced commercial travellers to push the sale of the breed in the principal countries of the Continent.

The number of visitors to the Zoological Gardens, Regent's Park, N.W., during April was 113,629 and the receipts for admission £3,519. The total number of visitors from January 1 to April 30 was 342,646.

Smelling salts is a preventive of seasickness, says Dr. Robert A. Fleming, of Edinburgh, in the *British Medical Journal*. He experimented on two passengers on a rough Channel passage with "wonderful results."

At the conference of the National Association of Schoolmasters at Cardiff a resolution was carried demanding on moral, physical, and psychological grounds that boys from 7 to 17 should be taught by men teachers.

As the King's bounty of £3 could not be claimed owing to one of the triplets dying, the King has sent £2 to the mother, Mrs. Forrester, of Carlisle, whose husband is out of work and 2 of her 6 other children are in the infirmary.

When returning from the South Goodwin lightship to Deal the chaplain and crew of the *Mission* to Seamen boat had a 5 minutes' view during a slight haze of a mirage which reflected in the sky three ships sailing on the water.

Treasures of great antiquarian interest are believed to lie buried in the mud of the moat round the Bishop of London's palace at Fulham, S. W. An antiquarian correspondent suggests that this mud should be dug and gifted before the moat is filled by the Fulham sanitary authorities.

"If you want to see a monument raised to tenacity you must not go to he Dardenelles; you must come to Warwickshire," said General Sir Ian Hamilton when unveiling a monolith memorial to the 29th Division on Rugby where the King reviewed the division before its departure for the front.

A fireman named Llewellyn Morgan, working at Bettisfield Colliery, Flintshire, who collapsed and died while walking on a plank, was found with a chestnut in his throat. It is thought that, as he stumbled the jerk caused the nut, which he was apparently carrying in his mouth, to slip into his gullet.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One fatal case of plague, Chinese, was reported on Saturday.

Messrs J. Ullman and Co. advertise a fine assortment of perfumes just received from Paris.

An advertisement in this issue announces that the Committee of the British Legion (Hongkong and China Branch) would be grateful if firms having vacancies on their staff would notify the Hon. Secretary (Mr. H. K. Holmes, Land Office, Court of Justice) to that effect stating their requirements, and thus possibly assisting unemployed ex-Service men to obtain work.

At Foon, a shroff employed by the Hong Heng Cheong vegetable stall at the Central Market, reported to the police yesterday that he was sent by his master to collect \$20 from the Hop Yik vegetable stall, in the Yaumati Market. He had received the money and was on his way back to the stall, when passing an isolated piece of ground in Yaumati he was assailed by a man who relieved him of the money and then ran away in the direction of Hongkong. The police, who doubt the truth of the story, are investigating the matter.

Having been defeated by the guards of a certain village near Samshui on a previous raid which resulted in the death of four of their number, bandits organised another raid and this time, began the attack at midnight. They succeeded in ransacking the village, the total loss sustained by the villagers amounting to thirty head of buffaloes, not to mention a large sum of money and considerable valuables. The captain of the village guards was injured and four aged spokesmen of the village were taken out to the village limit and shot. None of the bandits was captured, reports the *Canton Times*.

A Chinese man and a woman were this morning charged before Magistrate Orme with the unlawful possession of 160 lbs of dynamite and fuses. The man said that he bought the explosives from the woman in order to catch fish. The woman denied this and said that the man engaged her junk to transport cases which she did not know contained dynamite. After Lance-Sergeant Maskell had given evidence regarding the seizure, Inspector McDonald said that each of the boxes weighed about four stones. Altogether approximately 1 cwt. of the explosive was seized. The first defendant admitted that he had been catching fish with dynamite for a long time, this in spite of the fact that he had lost an eye in an explosion some time ago. The Magistrate sentenced the man to two months' hard labour and the woman to one month. The contraband was confiscated.

CHINESE INDUSTRY.

AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME.

"COMPANY WITH \$150,000,000 CAPITAL."

The *Canton Times* is staggered by a report in the vernacular press that certain Chinese capitalists from abroad are proposing to organise a huge company with a capital of \$150,000,000 to establish a tea factory in Fukien, a sugar manufacturing and refining company in Kwangtung, a silk factory in Chekiang, a cotton mill in Kiangsu and a bank in Shanghai. Besides these enterprises, says the report, these ambitious capitalists are going to open a steamship company, and a mining concern. The sole object of the proposed organisation is to manufacture and export native products and to import foreign machinery.

Two gentlemen are said to have been appointed by the organisation to make a general survey of the possibilities in China while the chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Hongkong and the chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Manila will look after the matter of soliciting shares to the proposed organisation.

MUI TSAI IN HONGKONG.

Truth of June 1 says:—I am sorry to see that the writer of the article on Hongkong in the *Empire Number* of the *Times* attempted to excuse the continued toleration in that colony of the Chinese custom of "mui tsai," which covers what is really a system of child-slavery. The statement that the many questions on the subject in the House of Commons have been met with replies "in the direct negative" is not according to Hansard. The Colonial Office has been unable to deny the essential facts, though it has had recourse to such verbal quibbles as speaking of sales of girls for money payments as "transfers." Quite recently the Under-Secretary admitted that the custom has been declared illegal in China generally, but added that it nevertheless remains widespread there. Hongkong, however, is not "China generally," but a British colony. The local police courts and the local newspapers have provided more than enough evidence of the iniquities of the system to justify the demand for its suppression.

THE KWANGSI WAR.

ADVANCE TOWARDS NANNING.

CANTONESE CLAIM FURTHER SUCCESSES.

The repeated success of the Cantonese Army in the northern section of Kwangtung has entirely freed that region of Kwangsi troops, who entered the province at the outbreak of hostilities. Following the recapture of Yangshan, and Lin Yuen, the *Canton Times* is informed that the Cantonese troops have now retaken Lin Shan the last city near the border in the hands of the invaders only a week ago. Now that the Kwangsi troops have been defeated in the north and the Cantonese Army in other sections is meeting with great success, there is no danger of the invaders ever threatening the province in that direction, adds the *Canton paper*.

The main force of the Cantonese troops in the Wuchow section has penetrated into Kwangsi and that in the southern section of the province is displaying a strong defence in checking the invaders from coming in that direction.

"With the Cantonese troops in the southern part checking the invaders and the north free, the main force in Wuchow is devoting its entire attention to advancing toward Nanning. While the allied forces from Yunnan and Kweichow are making rapid progress toward the same direction and the Peking authorities are powerless to send assistance, it will not be long before Nanning is captured and the Kwangsi warlord ousted from his throne."

WATER POLO.

R.H.K.Y.C. vs. R.G.A.

The water polo enthusiasts of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club have been putting in some hard work at the game, and to-night a team is to be selected to play against the Royal Garrison Artillery on Wednesday at 6 p.m. It will be the "Royals'" first appearance in a real match and the result of the fixture will be watched with a good deal of interest.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. "Olympic," on Friday.—Mr. J. V. C. Tang, Mr. Malone, Mr. H. Uyama, Mr. Hagihara, Mr. and Mrs. Kwik Hai Chwan, Mr. Tang Pui Wa, Mr. W. M. Dempster, Mr. O. H. Soper, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ellis, Mrs. McCallum, Mr. P. R. Marquis, Mr. Khudabakhsh and Mr. Mompoulian.

The s.s. "Proteus," (Blue Funnel Line) left Shimonoseki on July 10 for Hongkong and is due here on July 14. The N. Y. K. s.s. "Kitano Maru," (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on June 26 and is expected here on August 3.

LOCAL PIRACY.

TRADING LAUNCH ROBBED.

PIRATES AS PASSENGERS.

Piracy in Chinese waters was reported by the master of the trading launch "Takling," on arrival here at 7.30 last night. Leaving Autau, a Chinese territory at 10 a.m., with cargo and 47 passengers for Hongkong, the vessel had been steaming for about 20 minutes, and was still in Autau Bay, when he heard a commotion on the steerside deck. A moment later a man entered the wheelhouse, and at the point of a revolver forced him to steer straight ahead. When they neared Sanlui, the man ordered him to stop the launch. Two sampans then came alongside and took eight men ashore. After the pirates had gone, he discovered that \$340 had been stolen from the commodore's room. Two rifles and 250 rounds of ammunition were taken from the guards' quarters. The two guards were taken by surprise and relieved of their revolvers and ammunition pouches. The passengers were robbed of clothing, jewellery, and money valued at over \$2,000.

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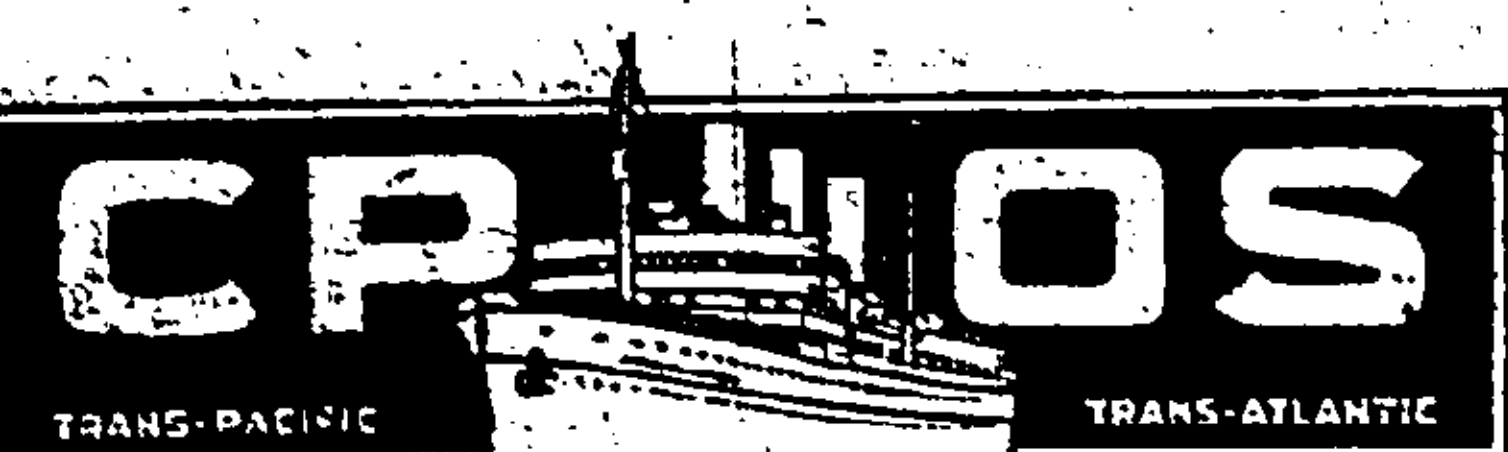
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MARITIME LAW CONFERENCE.

CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA.

The conference of the Maritime Law Committee of the International Law Association at Gray's Inn Hall, was devoted to summing up the results of discussions at the earlier sessions. On the question of whether freedom of contract on the part of the shipowners with regard to the carriage of goods by sea should be absolute or limited by legislation, the majority of the committee favoured a uniform law among maritime States for liability for losses caused by defect of ship or default in the handling, and custody of goods to be obligatory upon the shipowners. The provision was, however, suggested that followed the Canadian statute if the owner exercised due diligence to make the ship in all respects seaworthy and properly manned, equipped and supplied, neither the ship nor the owner, agent or charterer should become responsible for loss or damage resulting from faults or errors in navigation or in the management of the ship or from latent defect.

Upon the question whether legislative control should be exercised to secure for the shipper an express acknowledgment of receipt of the goods shipped, the shipowners expressed view was that there was no objection in principle, subject to certain conditions, to a compulsory requirement of a plain bill of lading evidencing the fact of the shipment of goods specified therein.

The general view of the committee was that a basis of agreement upon a uniform system for the statutory determination of rights in respect of goods carried by sea would probably be most readily arrived at upon the lines of the Canadian Statute and the report of the Imperial Shipping Committee.

Mr. Edward F. Nicholls, representing the underwriters, emphasised the absolute necessity in the interests of overseas commerce, of ability on the part of shipowners a limit in clear terms the liabilities incurred by them by means of the contract of affreightment.

It was decided to refer the following questions to the conference of the International Law Association, to be held at The Hague in September:—Whether it is desirable in the interests of seaborne trade that the rights and liabilities of the cargo owner and shipowner under all contracts for the carriage of goods by sea should be controlled by State action, and (2) if so to what extent.

The preparation of a draft code of regulations embodying the views expressed by the majority at the meetings of the conference was referred to a Drafting Committee.

Dr. Jitta (Holland) and Sir Norman Hill tendered the thanks of the conference to Sir Henry Duke for presiding, and the proceedings then terminated.

GERMANY'S INDUSTRIAL REVIVAL

HAMBURG'S REMARKABLE RECOVERY.

At a time when 4,000,000 tons of British shipping is lying idle as a result of the industrial slump, it is significant that German ports show no such stagnation. In comment on the challenge of Germany's industrial recovery *Sym and Shipping* says:—
"Some of the members of the Liverpool Steamship Owners' Association, who have recently studied Hamburg conditions on the spot, were impressed by the rapid strides that port is making in the resumption of shipping business. This progress is, of course, the

sequel to industrial activity throughout the whole country. It is recognised in Hamburg, and, we presume, throughout Germany that strikes must be taboo if reconstruction is not to be seriously retarded. The entrances and clearances in the overseas trade, which totalled 1,900,000 net tons in 1919, rose to nearly 7,000,000 tons last year. Formerly 60 per cent of Hamburg's foreign trade was in German bottoms, while the British share was half as much. Now, on a trade which has sunk to less than one-third of the 1913 volume, we can only claim 21 per cent, the Americans heading us by 2 per cent and the Germans by 3 per cent."

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RENTS BILL.

CHINESE TENANTS' PETITION TO THE GOVERNOR.

On Saturday, a petition was sent to H.E. The Governor by Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist, solicitors, on behalf of those who called the recent meetings of Chinese tenants in connection with the Rents Bill.

Mr. Mok Lai Chi writes: "Your readers will kindly note that our petition does not state anything in regard to one year's notice for removal. Our desire is to emphasize the fact that the landlord should not dispossess the tenant unless he can prove to the satisfaction of the judge that he is going to occupy same himself."

The petition follows:-
 To His Excellency Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same, and to the several members of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

The humble petition of Mok Lai-chi of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, Pastor of the Hongkong Pentecostal Mission and Headmaster of the Morrison English School; Woo Hing Tong of Victoria aforesaid, Chairman of the Chinese Clerks Association; Law You Cheung of Victoria aforesaid, Manager of the Wing On Insurance Company, Ltd., and Tong Show Shan of Victoria aforesaid, Merchant.

Showeth that:-
 1.-On the 5th day of July, 1921, a public meeting of Chinese tenants of the buildings defined as "domestic tenements" in the intended Ordinance to amend the law relating to the recovery of possession in certain cases, and to restrict the rents of domestic tenements (hereinafter referred to as "the Bill"), was held at the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association in Hongkong for the purpose of discussing the provision of the Bill; at which meeting over 600 persons attended, by whom it was resolved that your petitioners should be appointed a Committee on their behalf, to represent them, and to set forth their views and desires as hereinafter appearing.

2.-Your petitioners have reason to believe that it has been proposed, and will further be urged, by or on behalf of the owners of properties affected by the Bill (hereinafter called "the landlords") that the definition of "standard rent" therein contained shall be the rate of rent recoverable at a later date than the 31st December, 1920.

3.-Your petitioners therefore desire to point out to your Excellency, and the several members of the Legislative Council, that during the last ten years the rents of domestic

tenements in Hongkong have been repeatedly increased, so much so that tenants demanded, and made payable, even at the end of last year, were greater in many instances than the tenants could reasonably afford to pay. If therefore a later date than the 31st December, 1920, be fixed your petitioners fear that many tenants will be most seriously and prejudicially affected.

4.-Your petitioners have further reason to believe that it will be urged by or on behalf of the landlords that the Bill shall contain a provision enabling them to recover possession of a domestic tenement on giving four months' notice to quit to the occupant or occupants of a shop, and two months' notice to quit to the occupant or occupants of any other domestic tenement.

5.-Your petitioners therefore desire to point out to your Excellency, and the several members of the Legislative Council, that such an amendment of the provisions of the Bill as it now stands must inevitably deprive the intended Ordinance of what was stated by the Hon. Attorney-General to be its main object:-That is to say, to make sure that tenants now in occupation shall not be dispossessed merely because of notice to quit having been given them; and would be apt to cause serious injury to many who should, if ejected from the premises they occupied, find it impossible to obtain suitable premises, or even any premises at all, in which to reside or carry on their business.

6.-Large numbers of the tenants of domestic tenements earn their living as clerks or assistants to persons or firms who pay the wages and salaries payable by them on the first day of each calendar month, while many of the landlords demand payment of rent on a certain day in each lunar month (or "Chinese moon"); and thus the tenants frequently experience some difficulty in providing the payment of the rent demanded on such days.

7.-The practice is often indulged in by Chinese landlords, or agents employed by them, of demanding, in addition to rent, a further sum by way of "shoe money" or "dry rent," making it a condition of the tenancy that such additional sum be paid; and although it is provided by Section 3 of the Bill that no rent in excess of the "standard rent" shall be recoverable, steps other than by action in Hongkong for the recovery of rent may be taken by or on behalf of such landlords to obtain payment of the said additional sum, unless it be expressly provided by Ordinance that any agreement to pay the same is illegal.

8.-Although it would appear from the definition in the Bill of a "Domestic tenement and from the statement" of the Hon. the Attorney-General as to the objects of and reasons for the Bill, that its provisions

BASEBALL.
SATURDAY'S CLOSE GAME.
NARROW WIN FOR "RIZAL"

A very close game of baseball was witnessed on the Hongkong Football Club ground, at Happy Valley, on Saturday afternoon by a large gathering of enthusiasts of the American national game, when a team composed of Hongkong Americans met defeat at the hands of a combination from the U.S.S. "Rizal" by 14-12, ten innings.

Poor running and fielding gave the "Rizal" men an easy time at the opening stages of the game and they scored freely, soon assuming a big lead. The locals rallied as the game progressed. Playing an uphill game, they did well in the eighth innings, and assumed the lead for a while. The sailors replied strongly and evaded matters in the ninth innings. This made an extra-innings necessary to decide the contest. Both sides were all out to win, but the sailors asserted their superiority in this innings, and giving the locals a strenuous time, secured a well-earned victory.

Pace, although unsteady at times, pitched well for the locals, and with better support behind him, would have done better. Wickmister, "Rizal's" centre fielder was the "star" of the diamond, stopping many difficult shots. McLaury, a hard hitter, was by far the best batsman, hitting safely four times with real "clout" and contributed much towards his team's success.

The duties of umpires were in the able hands of Dr. Urquhart and Esig Isigir.

The scores follow:-

Player	AB	R	H	PO	A
Crissostomo, S.S.	6	1	0	0	3
Harry 2B	6	4	1	3	2
Wickmister, C.F.	6	2	2	4	0
McLaury, L.F.	6	3	4	3	1
Thompson, 3B	6	2	1	3	2
Fox, R.F.	5	0	0	0	0
Murphy, 1B	5	0	2	8	0
Villaluz, C	5	0	0	7	2
Rapallo, P	5	2	1	2	5
Total	50	14	11	30	15

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White, S.S.	6	1	0	2	3
Appel, 3B	6	2	2	3	0
Lake, 1B	6	1	1	9	2
Scott, C	6	2	1	6	0
Daugherty, L.F.	4	1	2	0	0
Conrad, R.F.	5	1	0	0	0
Nelson, C.F.	5	1	0	2	4
Pace, P	5	1	0	3	0
Brown, 1B	1	0	0	0	0
Eppstein, R.F.	1	0	0	0	0
Total	52	12	8	30	16

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apply to a school or club house if the master, proprietor, or person other than the caretaker interested therein resides in the premises, it is not made clear that such is the case; while, on the other hand, it would seem that these provisions do not apply to a school or club house which is used for habitation only by a servant or servants. Your petitioners, therefore, in view of the fact that the use of private schools and club houses or meeting places of registered societies, is absolutely necessary to very many tenants of domestic tenements, are desirous that the provisions of the Bill should be expressly made to apply to such buildings.

9.-In the event of it being proposed by the landlords that they should be represented by Council on the second or any subsequent reading of the Bill it is desired by your petitioners that they be informed of this fact in order that they may themselves take steps to also be so represented.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Excellency, and the several members of the Legislative Council, will be pleased:-

(1)-To reject the before-mentioned proposals which it is anticipated, will be made by or on behalf of the landlords.

(2)-To amend the Bill by making provisions therein (a) for the right to collect monthly rent being restricted to a specific day in each calendar month; (b) to render illegal any agreement to pay, and a punishable offence any attempt to recover money in addition to rent as a consideration of tenancy; and (c) for the inclusion of private schools and registered club houses in the definition of "domestic tenements."

"A DRUNKEN FREAK."
A PEAK MESS ESCAPE.

STORY OF NAVAL OFFICER'S MISSING GRAMOPHONE.

Details of a "drunken freak" were related to Magistrate Lindsay this morning when George Williams and Gilbert Little Hood, unemployed Customs officer and ship's engineer, respectively, were charged with the theft from the Naval Officers' Sanatorium, yesterday, of a gramophone and eight records, the property of Lieut. Franks, R.N.

Hood said that he was drunk or he would not have done such a thing. Lieut. Franks said that he went to the Officers' Mess in the Sanatorium on the Peak about 8 p.m., last night, and there found traces of beer drinking. His gramophone was missing from the verandah. He did not know either of the defendants, and had not given them permission to take his gramophone.

The Mess boy said that the defendants came in at 6 p.m., and declaring that they were Naval Officers, ordered beer, drinking eight bottles in a little over an hour, and signing chits for them. When the witness saw that the defendants were "drunk," he refused to serve them with any more beer. The defendants then caused trouble, and the witness went to the Sailors' Sanatorium, across the way, for assistance. When he returned to the Officers' Mess with two men, the defendants were gone. The witness later discovered Lieut. Franks's gramophone was missing from the verandah.

Stoker Charles Goodnow of the "Tamar," said that between 6 and 7 p.m., he saw the defendants walking towards the tram station apparently under the influence of drink. Hood was carrying a gramophone in a case. The Magistrate: What did you do?

Witness: I did nothing. I didn't know if it belonged to them or not. What condition did they seem to be in? They were pretty well "gone," sir.

Were they able to walk? They were rolling about a bit. They were not incapable, apparently; they were able to walk by themselves, separately? Well, they were holding each other up, sir.

As far as he knew, the witness continued, the men were not quartered at the Sanatorium; he had seen one of them before. At 9.30 that night he went with Sub-Inspector Field to the King Edward Hotel and pointed out the defendants to him.

Inspector Cashman: Where was the gramophone found?

Witness: They had it at the time, playing it in the Hotel bar.

Acting-Sub-Inspector Field said that last evening, at 9.30, accompanied by the first witness, he went to the King Edward Hotel bar where he saw the two defendants playing a gramophone. He told them who he was, arrested them and seized the gramophone.

The Magistrate: Did they say anything?

Witness: The second defendant said he took it for a lark and was going to take it back later that night. The first defendant had seven records in his jacket pocket.

What condition were they in, under the influence of liquor badly? No, sir.

They had control of their feet? Yes, they both walked to the Central Police Station.

And they were not fuddled? They could understand? Yes.

In reply to the Magistrate, the defendants said they had no statement to make.

The Magistrate: You have nothing more to say than you said at first—that if you took it, it must have been because you were drunk?

The second defendant: Must have been.

You seem to have known sufficient about it to have said to the police officer that you took it for a lark? I did not do it intentionally; it must have been a lark.

The Magistrate: The only question I have to decide is whether they stole it or not.

Inspector Cashman: They had it in their possession.

CRUELTY TO CHICKENS.
MAGISTRATE'S SUGGESTION.

PRINTED WARNINGS.

That warnings against cruelty to chickens should be printed in Chinese and posted-up was a suggestion made by Magistrate Orme this morning when a Chinese was charged with cruelty to chickens by overcrowding them in crates.

Inspector Appleton, of No. 7 Police Station, said that yesterday afternoon, a number of coolies were seen in Connaught Road West pulling a truck containing four large and three small crates of chickens. One small crate had no fewer than 60 chickens packed one on top of another. None of the crates had matting on the bottom. As a result the chickens' legs were sticking through the holes. The defendant, who was in charge of the truck, undertook all responsibility in the matter.

The defendant said that he had nothing to do with the packing of the chickens.

The Magistrate said that if the defendant was only a truck coolie, he had no option but to wheel the truck after it had been laden. He thought that the person who did the packing was responsible.

The Inspector repeated that the defendant undertook all responsibility at the station. His master had bailed him out in the sum of \$25. He thought the defendant's master would pay his fine. Should the Magistrate so desire, he could remand the case until to-morrow and witness would try to get the defendant's master to attend Court. Then, the police would not have evidence of packing excepting the defendant's own statement that another man was responsible.

The Magistrate said that as the defendant was prepared to undertake responsibility for another person, he would not adjourn the case. In fining the defendant \$1 for each crate, he would suggest that warnings against cruelty to chickens would be posted up in Chinese.

Inspector Appleton thought that idea was a good one, especially for poultry yards.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending June 25, 1921, amounted to 88,700 tons, and the sales during the period, to 89,081 tons.

For having driven meat vans in West Point at 11.30 last night without drivers' licences, two Chinese who claimed to have lost their licences, were fined \$3 each by Magistrate Orme this morning.

The Magistrate: Yes, playing it openly in the sight of everybody.

The Inspector: There is also the chit they signed as members of H. M. S. "Carlisle."

The Magistrate: They are not charged with respect to the beer? If they had been I would have convicted them.

The Inspector said he did not see how the men could be charged with stealing the beer; the boy gave it to them.

The Magistrate: They were obtaining goods under false pretences as far as the beer was concerned. Why didn't you charge them with that?

The Inspector said he had regarded the charge of theft of the gramophone as clearer and he thought that would be sufficient.

The Magistrate: They were obviously drunk.

The Inspector: I would not say they were drunk. They were "under the influence" but if they had been brought to me to be charged with drunkenness I should have refused to do so.

The Magistrate: I cannot think, if they deliberately stole the gramophone intending to make it their property, that they would have stashed playing it openly in the King Edward Hotel. If they merely took it for a drunken freak it is not larceny. I think you had better charge them respecting the beer: they ought to be dealt with.

The charge of theft was dismissed but the defendants remained in police custody. They will appear in the Court again to-morrow on a charge of obtaining beer by false pretences.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

Just received ex S.S. "Glenluce" direct from the Scottish Fisheries:-

FILLETS	80 cents per lb.
HADDOKES	70 " "
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G. GRUYER	\$1.80 per lb.
GOUDA (Full Cream)	1.25 " "
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CORRESPONDENCE.

SOMEONE WAS BOUND TO NOTICE IT.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Dear Sir,—In the past whenever any question arose of importance to the Chinese community meetings were held and opinions expressed by certain individuals who were supposed to represent the inarticulate mass of our native population.

It is unnecessary to mention names; there are half a dozen men who have always been in the forefront of any movement and who are all well-known to European residents who have spent a few years in the colony. They always pose as the defendants and spokesmen of the Chinese.

The recent reports of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce however show us these same men making a dead set against a proposed measure of legislation which can only affect the great majority of the Chinese beneficially.

Is it possible that they do not represent and never have really represented their compatriots but only voiced the opinions of their own class?

It is pleasing to note from the reports of other meetings that new names are coming forward and that the "old gang" is likely to be superseded. A striking fact also is that although there are many clever Chinese lawyers in town, yet the chosen legal representative of the tenants is not a Chinese.

Yours faithfully,

PAUPER.

THE POLICY OF HUSH.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Dear Sir,—The Rev. Kirk Macconachie's recent letter to the press shows his desire to suppress information regarding Venereal disease.

His reasoning is that knowledge regarding prevention destroys fear and encourages sin. Therefore, he says, with-hold the knowledge. But surely it is a curious kind of morality which offers fear as a check upon sin.

If the Rev. Mr. Macconachie has gone as deeply into this subject as he suggests he must know that a goodly percentage of the sufferers contract these diseases innocently.

If there is any solution of the problem other than education for this is what publicity really is, then any suggestions he can make will undoubtedly be welcomed by all interested.

It will however be useless to recommend a religious revival or regular attendance at church as an alternative.

Yours faithfully,

PATER.

CRAMP COLIC.

No need of suffering from cramps in the stomach or intestinal pains. Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy never fails to relieve the most severe cases. Get it to-day, there will be no time to spend if it after the attack comes on. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the China Mail.]

TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS.

LAIPZIG, July 9th.
 The French delegation and witnesses, at the Supreme Court, have departed, having been recalled to Paris by the Government.

PARIS, July 9th.
 The papers unanimously approve of the recall and declare that the scandalous parody of justice at Leipzig has forced the re-opening of the question of the punishment of war criminals.

LAIPZIG, July 9th.
 The trials of General von Shraack and General von Kruska and others continue, despite the departure of the French delegates.

BRUSSELS, July 9th.
 The French Ambassador has requested the Belgian Foreign Office not to send a further delegation to Leipzig.

LONDON, July 10th.
 The Leipzig Court has acquitted General von Shraack and General von Kruska.

EARL DISAPPEARS.

LONDON, July 10th.
 The Earl of Craven has mysteriously disappeared from his yacht at Cowes. It is thought that he fell overboard accidentally at midnight, and was drowned.

INTERNATIONAL VARSITY TENNIS.

SHARBRIDGE (New Jersey), July 10th.
 In the International University Lawn Tennis Tournament, Princeton beat Oxford and Cambridge by 3 to 2 matches, thus taking the series by 3 to 4.

HOME CRICKET.

[China Mail Special.]

LONDON, July 10.
 The Australians opened a two days' match with the West of Scotland at Glasgow. Carr, John Gunn and George Gunn, of Nottinghamshire, were included in the West of Scotland team. The weather was brilliant and there was an attendance of 10,000. The cricket was in good condition. At the close of the day's play the Australians had completed 483 for 7 wickets (Bartley 74, Mayne 69, Armstrong 87, Ryder 121 not out). Eton won by seven wickets.

VLADIVOSTOK.

The Rosta News Agency reports that there is no money in Vladivostok. Even the Japanese tradesmen are closing and going. The Russian Volunteer Fleet's Vladivostok management is shifting to Japan. Direct mail service between America and Soviet Russia has been resumed.

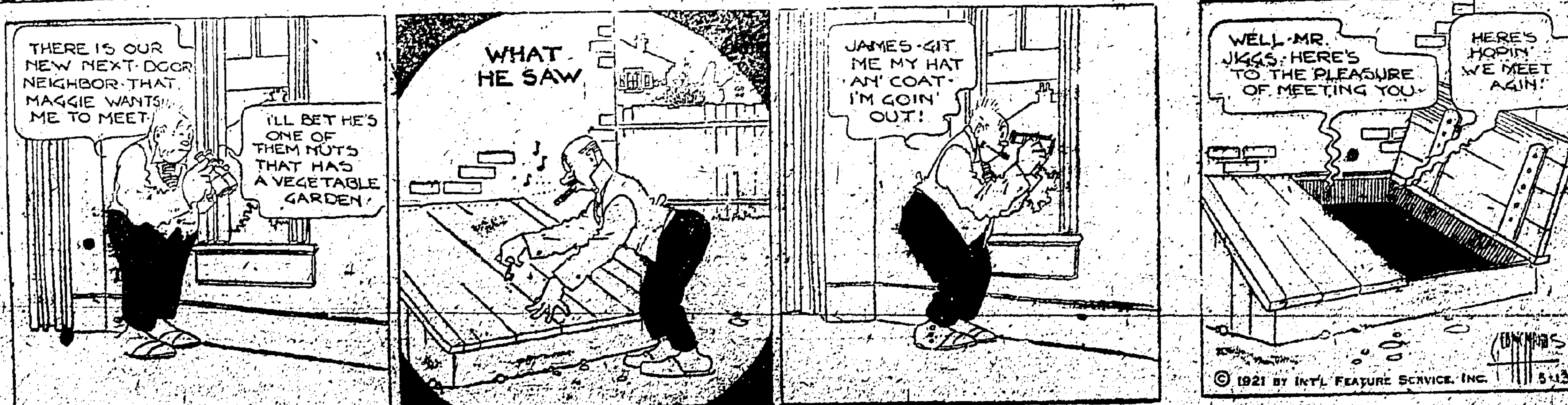
BANK DIVIDEND.

The local manager of the Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij (Netherlands Trading Society), has received telegraphic information from his Head Office in Amsterdam, that his Bank has declared a dividend of 12 per cent. (twelve) for the financial year 1920.

WHEN YOU EAT TOO MUCH.

Distress in the stomach after eating is relieved by taking one of Chamberlain's Tablets. Try it the next time you eat more than you should. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BRINGING UP FATHER.



EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE.

Paris, July 9th.

M. Briand, in a statement, says that judicial authorities alone could apportion responsibilities for the administration of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

The Minister of Justice is already prosecuting certain "X" (?) for forgery and a newspaper for uttering the forgery in connection with the publication of a telegram signed "Leygues, Minister of Marine" to the French Ambassador in London regarding the Banque, which was actually signed by M. Philippe Berthelot.

Paris, July 9th (delayed). According to the papers the prospects of the Banque Industrielle de Chine are brightening up. The deputy M. Outrey is bringing the affair before the Chamber soon, and is hopeful that the Finance Minister will be given full power to intervene.

Paris, July 7th (delayed). Speaking at the Financial and Foreign Affairs Committee of the Senate, M. Briand stated that the Government will endeavour further to remedy the situation created by the affairs of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

All members of both the Committees expressed approval of the attitude of the Government, which, according to the newspapers, intends to take measures for the creation of a large consortium charged with carrying on the operations of the Banque Industrielle.

CHINESE WIRELESS CONTRACT DISPUTE.

Washington, July 9th. According to the Chinese Minister, the State Department declares that the United States will support the rights of the Federal Telegraph Company, under its contract with the Chinese Government, for the erection of wireless stations at Shanghai and elsewhere, despite the protests of Great Britain, Japan and Denmark.

JAPANESE PRINCE'S VISIT TO ROME.

Rome, July 9th. Negotiations are going on aiming at arranging for the Japanese Prince to visit the city of Rome. It is uncertain whether this will succeed. According to present plans, d'Annunzio will come to Rome by aeroplane from Lake Garda, where he is staying, bringing to Prince Hirohito and the Japanese nation a message from the youth of Italy expressing a desire for the closest friendship with the youth of Japan.

Paris, July 6th (delayed). The Japanese Crown Prince gave a private dinner at the Embassy at which, among other prominent people, were Marshal Petain, Marshal d'Esperey, Admiral Grand, the Rector of Paris University, and M. L'Amiral, head of the law school.

The Japanese Ambassador visited M. Briand to express his Government's thanks for the spontaneous and most cordial reception given everywhere in France to the Japanese Crown Prince.

At Toulon French-Japanese festivities are proceeding. Vice-Admiral Ozari and staff attended a brilliant reception on board the French battleship "Hercules".

Paris, July 7th (delayed). The Japanese Crown Prince has left Paris for Toulon, where he will embark tomorrow for Rome.

U.S. HEAT WAVE.

New York, July 10th. A heat wave is passing over the whole of the United States. It is almost unbearable, owing to the great humidity. Many deaths have taken place through sunstroke. In all the large cities, especially in New York, owing to the crowded tenements, the poor are sleeping outdoors on the benches and in the parks. Children in their bathing suits, are flocking to the fire stations, where they have shower baths in the streets by means of fire-hoses. Many persons have been killed by falling from roofs where they were trying to sleep.

MYSTERY SHIP.

London, July 9th. The excitement created by the *Mancaster* report has been intensified in New York, to-day, owing to the inability of the naval wireless to speak to another American liner *Calio*, which left Buenos Aires on June 26th, and carried seventy passengers, also gold. There is no news of her for the past four days.

U.S. MINERS' UNREST.

Williams Town, West Virginia, July 9th. Mr. David Robb, Financial Secretary of the United Mine-workers of America, and eleven other labour leaders have been arrested on a charge of unlawful assemblage.

MEXICO OIL TAX TROUBLE.

Washington, July 9th. The State Department states that the two warships dispatched to Tampico will shortly be withdrawn.

WAR IN ASIA MINOR.

Constantinople, July 9th. It is reported that the Turks have begun an offensive on the Brusar front.

TRIBUTE TO FRANCE.

Paris, July 6th (delayed). At Hamburg, Herr Rathenau, in a speech, said that it is to the men of French statesmen to have understood that German work can contribute towards the restoration of the devastated provinces in France. Conversations in Wiesbaden took place from this point of view, and courtesies between the representatives of both the Governments continue.

Herr Rathenau added that French statesmen were desirous to come to an agreement with the Germans about the programme of payments in kind.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the China Mail]

TRUCE IN IRELAND.

London, July 9th.

His Majesty the King gave an audience to Viscount Midleton on his return from Dublin.

It is officially announced in Dublin that Mr. De Valera has decided to accept Mr. Lloyd George's invitation to the conference in London, and instructed his supporters to cease attacks on Crown Forces and civilians, to prohibit the use of arms, to cease military manoeuvres, to abstain from interference with public and private property, to prevent action likely to cause a disturbance of the peace and to co-operate in providing an atmosphere in which peace discussions may be possible.

The Government has ordered the cessation of military and police raids, the restriction of military activity to the support of the police and civil duties, the removal of curfew restrictions, and the suspension of the dispatch of reinforcements. The functions of the police in Dublin will be carried on by the Metropolitan Police.

London, July 10th. The following proclamation issued by Mr. De Valera is significant:

"During the truce, each soldier and citizen must regard himself as the custodian of the nation's honour. Your discipline must prove to this that this is a struggle of an organised nation. In the negotiations initiated, your representatives will do their utmost to secure a just and peaceful termination of the struggle, but history, particularly our history, and the character of the issue which will be decided, are a warning against undue confidence. An unbending determination to endure all that may still be necessary, and a fortitude such as you have shown during all recent sufferings may be required. These alone will lead to the desired peace. Should force be resumed against our nation, you must be ready to do your part once more and resist. Thus, alone, will you secure the final abandonment of force and the acceptance of justice as the arbiter."

Lanzhou, July 9th.

The *Sunday Express* expects that Mr. Lloyd George will meet Mr. De Valera within a few days. The Cabinet is determined that no time shall be lost. The journal declares that General Smuts, who has done so much to create a hopeful atmosphere, will take a prominent part in the negotiations, if the Irish representatives agree.

Lord Derby's insistence, last night, that "we must be prepared to make sacrifices, even to the extent of giving full financial control to Ireland but with restrictions as regards the National Debt, the army and the navy, to secure settlement," indicates the new spirit abroad.

The *Sunday Express* reports that Professor McNeill and Mr. Michael Collins are likely to accompany Mr. De Valera to London.

THE ANGLO-JAPANESE TREATY.

London, July 9th. Reuter learns that the British Government submitted no formal proposal for a conference regarding the Anglo-Japanese Treaty, the general question of the Pacific or disarmament to the United States Government, but it has not lost the opportunity of showing that it would welcome such a proposal by the Washington Government.

London, July 10th.

A revelation of the great part played by His Majesty the King, not only in connection with Ireland but in removing the threatened hitch in Anglo-American relations is made by the *Observer*, which says that the statement of the Premier in the House of Commons, on July 7th, in regard to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance threatened to endanger the project of the Pacific Conference, because the American Government could not usefully enter the conference as a result of the British suggestion, which would be derogatory to President Harding's position and might easily seem to many Americans to be a manoeuvre in the interests of Japan.

His Majesty the King and the American Ambassador had an earnest and important conversation at a ball at Buckingham Palace on the evening of July 7th, which was given in honour of the Premier's words about "replies received from the United States" were deleted from the Harbord. Thus it was left to the United States not only to issue a formal invitation to a conference, but to propose the terms of reference.

In his statement in the House of Commons, on July 7th, replying to a number of questions regarding the present position of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, Mr. Lloyd George said that he hoped soon to be able to make a statement on the subject, possibly on July 11th. This, he said, depended on the replies received from the United States, from Japan, and from China, but a premature declaration would interfere with the success of the negotiations now proceeding.

Paris, July 10th. *Le Matin* says that the French Government is extremely favourable to the proposed Pacific Conference, and has already communicated its views to Great Britain.

OBITUARY.

London, July 10th. The death is announced of Charles Dawson, ex-billiards champion.

ROYAL VISIT TO CHANNEL ISLANDS.

London, July 10th. Their Majesties and Princess Mary left for Portsmouth this morning, on the royal yacht, escorted by three destroyers, to visit the Channel Islands.

ALIGARH RIOT.

Bombay, July 9th. Order has been restored in Aligarh where disturbances had taken place, owing to the arrest of a political agitator.

LORD BYNG.

London, July 9th. The Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George has been conferred on Lord Byng.

BANKS.

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Quarter hour, 10 cents
Half hour, 20
One hour, 35
Three hours, 50
Six hours, 75
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), \$1.00
If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour, 0.60 cents
Three hours, \$1.00
Six hours, 1.50
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 2.00

III.—In the Full District.

With 2 Bearers With 4 Bearers.
Quarter hour, \$0.15 \$0.20
Half hour, 0.30 0.40
One hour, 0.50 0.60
Two hours, 0.80 1.00
Three hours, 1.00 1.20
Six hours, 1.50 1.80
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 2.00 2.50

RICKSHAS.

I.—In the Island of Hongkong, if engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes, 5 cents
Quarter hour, 10
Half hour, 15
One hour, 20
Every subsequent hour, 20

Note.—If the ricksha be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m. or be engaged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour, 5 cents
Half hour, 10
Hour, 15
Every subsequent hour, 10

III.—Taipo Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra box, or part of an hour if the hire cause the journey to take longer than—

0.4th mile, 75 cents—1 hour
return, \$1.00—2 hours.

Beyond 0.4th to 0.6th mile—
single \$1.20—2 hours
return 1.40

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single \$1.75—2 hours
return 2.00

Beyond 1.0th to 1.5th mile—
single \$2.00—3 hours
return 2.50

Beyond 1.5th to 2.0th mile—
single \$2.50—4 hours
return 3.00

Fares for journeys beyond the 11th mile to be at the rate of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out to apply to one ricksha with three coolies from Tsim Sha Tsui.

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Hongkong, July 11, 1921.

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30 days sight, 2/8-1/2
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Documentary, 4 months sight, 10/10-1/2

On Paris—

On demand, 620
Credits, 4 months sight, 620

On New York—

On demand, 50 1/2
Credits, 60 days sight, 52 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire, 210
On demand, 210

On Calcutta—

Wire, 210
On demand, 210

On Singapore—

On demand, 115 1/2

On Manila—

On demand, 110

On Shanghai—

On demand, 110
30 days sight (private paper)

On Yokohama—

On demand, 104
Gold, 100 baht (per baht) 49.40
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8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. " 10 "
8.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 "
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. " 15 "
12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. " 10 "
2.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. " 15 "
4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 10 "

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8.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. 2.30 p.m.
8.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 30 minutes
11.45 p.m.

SATURDAYS.

EXTRA CAR—12.00 midnight.

SUNDAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. every 15 minutes
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 10 "
11.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon, " 15 "
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 10 "
1.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. " 15 "
6.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. " 10 "
8.30 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 "

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Hongkong, May 14, 1921.

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